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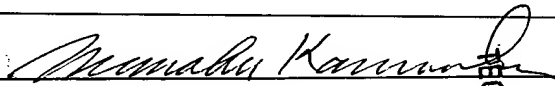
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of December 16, 2003, the applicant elects species B, claims 11 to 12 drawn to a displacement measuring apparatus comprising processing means comprising a deviation detection means and correction value storage means and a scan initiation detection means and a counting means. Please examine the application.

Respectfully submitted,
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